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Summarized Minutes



City of Scottsdale PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

5:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 5, 2010
Appaloosa Library
7377 E. Silverstone Drive, Scottsdale, AZ 85255

Present: Jeanne Alspaugh, Madam Chair
James Duchene, Vice Chair
Robert Frost, Commissioner
Ron King, Commissioner
Stan Koczka, Commissioner
Harry Schlegelmilch, Commissioner

Absent: John Faramelli, Commissioner

Staff: Jan Cameron, Parks and Recreation Commissioner
Terry Erickson, Parks and Recreation Manager
Reed Pryor, Parks and Recreation Manager
Hugh McGill, Parks and Recreation Manager
Brett Jackson, Maintenance Coordinator
Michael Ruggiero, Technology Specialist
Lorelei Oien, Administrative Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Madam Chair Alspaugh called the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 5, 2010, at the Appaloosa Library.

2. ROLL CALL

A formal roll call confirmed Commission members present as stated above.

3. MOMENT OF SILENCE

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4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Regular Meeting April 21, 2010

Motion by Commissioner Schlegelmilch to approve the regular meeting minutes from the April 21, 2010, meeting; second by Commissioner Koczka.

Motion approved by a vote of six (6) to zero (0).

5. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (IGA) WITH SCOTTSDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (SUSD)

Mr. McGill provided a brief history of the intergovernmental agreement with the Scottsdale Unified School District and explained that the Scottsdale Prevention Institute (SPI) partnership was founded in 1987 between SUSD #48, Camelback Hospital, and the City of Scottsdale for the purpose of teaching prevention skills and strategies for youth and families via school based programs with an emphasis on social competency, anti-violence, academic success, and substance abuse prevention. Mr. McGill further stated that in 1999, the city shifted its funding directly to SUSD, and that staff was requesting that the Parks and Recreation Commission vote to recommend to City Council the approval of IGA #2010-0440COS.

Dr. Sackos, Executive Director of Student and Community Services at SUSD, provided an overview of the “Coordinated School Health Model” which this IGA funds, which is a framework for managing new and existing health related programs and services in schools and the surrounding community. It incorporates eight interrelated components that historically have functioned independently: School Health Services, Nutrition Services; Staff Wellness; Counseling, Psychological, and Social Services; Family and Community Involvement; A Healthy School Environment.

Funding from the current year was provided by five grants and two IGAs as follows:

**Funding Sources
2009/2010**

Funding Sources 2009/2010	Type	Amount	Funded Programs
City of Scottsdale	IGA	\$238,000	Contracted Prevention Services
Title IV	Grant	\$87,505	Contracted Prevention Services; Lions Quest; School Social Workers
Dropout Prevention	Grant (expires after SY 09/10)	\$221,130	School Social Workers; Lions Quest; Collaborative Peer Teacher (SVA)
Title I set aside (ARRA Title 1 set aside \$14,000)	Grant	\$26,000	Summer/Night School & After School Programs
MACTUPP (Tobacco Prev.)	IGA	\$10,000	Tobacco Coordinator at Title 1 campuses
State Chemical Abuse	Grant	\$13,336	Lions Quest – Teacher trainings
McKinney-Vento (ARRA set aside \$15,000—for 09-10 only)	Grant	\$51,500	Homeless students; School Social Workers

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Potential Funding Sources 10/11	Type	Amount	Funded Programs
City of Scottsdale	IGA	\$238,000	Contracted Prevention Services
McKinney-Vento	Grant	\$39,000	Summer/Night School & After School Programs
Scottsdale Police Dept.	RICO Funds	\$36,000	Lions Quest
Title I set aside	Grant	\$15,000	Summer/Night School & After School Programs
MACTUPP Money	IGA	\$10,000	Tobacco Prevention for Title I Schools

Commissioner Koczka inquired as to what happened to the grants that were available for the current year but not for 2010/2011. Dr. Sackos responded that the state's economy has played a large role in state grants either being reduced or eliminated. As a follow up, Commissioner Koczka inquired if the school district had a grant writer that examines the availability of grants and pursues them. Dr. Sackos responded that there is not an individual grant writer for the school district, but rather have individuals in departments that do their own seeking and writing.

Commissioner Frost asked Mr. McGill if there was anything new in the IGA that the Commission is being asked to recommend to the City Council. Mr. McGill answered that there are a few more applications, and that at the direction of City Council, the IGA is rewritten annually. One of the changes is going from quarterly payments to ten monthly payments so that staff can better track how the services are being provided; another change is adding quarterly meetings with SUSD to oversee any impact that they might be having.

Commissioner Frost inquired about reports the city might get from SPI via SUSD on successes and activities. Mr. McGill responded that the quarterly reports delineate the types of services that were delivered to which school to a certain number of students. SPI conducts their evaluations as well and the city requests from the district a year end summary. Mr. McGill went on to say that with the addition of the quarterly meetings, city staff is hoping to have a better idea of the trends and the services being provided.

Commissioner King inquired if the money for this IGA was currently in the city's budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Mr. McGill responded that should the Commission recommend forwarding the IGA, it will then go before the school board on June 1 for approval, and then be placed on the City Council consent agenda on June 22nd, and that it could not be put in the budget until the budget is approved.

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Commissioner King then asked if SUSD provided any funds for this. Dr. Sackos responded that the money, for the last six years that she's been in the Student Services department, has come from grants and partnerships, and that what the school district supplies are the staff that run the program (from their Maintenance and Operations budget).

Commissioner King inquired about the breakdown of percentages of the student population utilizing the services and what they're using them for. Dr. Sackos responded that were you to split the services into a triangle, the bottom tier services 70 – 80% of the students in general; the middle tier services 10 – 18% of the students, and the top tier services 1 – 3% of the students who require intense services.

Commissioner Schlegelmilch inquired about how many staff at SUSD participate in running the program. Dr. Sackos responded that the Student Services department consists of 5 staff.

Commissioner Schlegelmilch inquired about the scope of services as they relate to the academic support and transition services and their relationship to substance abuse and prevention services and how long it's been a part of the SPI services and whether or not there weren't already resources within the school district covering those types of subjects? Dr. Sackos responded that there is some programming within the tier one level, but that there were students who required more attention because they don't respond to what's being taught in the classroom on a day to day basis.

Vice Chair Duchene inquired as to why Parks and Recreation is paying for the IGA rather than Human Services, his concern being that, without knowing what the approved city budget will be, how were the Parks and Recreation needs and programs going be prioritized? Ms. Cameron responded that at this time, the Parks and Rec programs are in tack with no plans to reduce the service level to youth and prevention programs. Ms. Cameron further explained that Youth and Family Services used to be in the Human Services Department; with the reorganization, Youth and Family Services, along with their budget, now falls under Parks and Recreation. Vice Chair Duchene expressed his concern that in the event of further budget cutting, that the Commission would have the prerogative to reassess their recommendations.

Vice Chair Duchene inquired whether or not Dr. Sackos' department worked together with the Special Education department. Dr. Sackos replied in the affirmative and that special education and student services, along with academic services fall under the umbrella of teaching and learning.

Vice Chair Duchene inquired of the nurses, nutrition, and health services and how many nurses there were, and what fund they are paid from. Dr. Sackos replied that there are 31 schools and 38 nurses and they are paid out of Maintenance and Operations.

Vice Chair Duchene inquired about school resource officers. Dr. Sackos responded that they had just met with the City Council on May 4 and agreed to a 55/45 split in order to save the high school and middle school programs and that right now it was looking favorable based on the recommendations of the City's Budget Commission and what the City Council has said.

Vice Chair Duchene inquired how students became identified as "at risk". Dr. Sackos responded that specific to SPI services, there is a referral program that can be initiated by administration, a counselor, or parents. Administrators, on a period basis, are running data to look at students that fall into the at risk category.

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Dr. Sherman, Scottsdale Prevention Institute provided information on what and how SPI implements their programs, as well as the current funding and staffing status.

Chair Alspaugh inquired whether there was a difference in the type of support students received based on the schools they attended. Dr. Sherman responded that the students are taken to the school that has the program where their needs can best be addressed.

Commissioner Koczka reiterated the importance of coordinating resources as funds availability become lower and the need for social programs become greater.

Vice Chair Duchene inquired about SPI staff representation at the schools. Dr. Sherman responded that there is one SPI staff member at every school.

Motion by Commissioner Frost to recommend to City Council the approval of IGA #2010-044-COS; second by Commissioner King.

Approved by a vote of five (5) to zero (0) with Commissioner Koczka abstaining.

6. TREE CITY/ARBOR DAY UPDATE

Brett Jackson, Maintenance Coordinator, provided a brief history and update of the Tree City/Arbor Day that was held at Chaparral Park on April 24, 2010; Scottsdale received its' 28th consecutive Tree City USA award, as well as the Tree City USA Growth Award for the 18th consecutive year, which are the longest consecutive awards in the state.

7. AQUATIC TASK FORCE POLICIES

Ms. Erickson reviewed the changes that the Aquatics Task Force and the Commission have requested on the Community Services Sponsorship Policy and the Youth Aquatic Facility Allocation Policy.

Vice Chair Duchene requested a change on page 2 of the Community Services Sponsorship Policy, to read "community benefit from" instead of "community benefit to".

Motion by Commissioner Koczka to approve Community Services Sponsorship Policy with changes; second by Vice Chair Duchene.

Approved by a vote of six (6) to zero (0).

Motion by Commissioner Koczka to approve Youth Aquatic Facility Allocation Policy with changes; second by Vice Chair Duchene.

Approved by a vote of six (6) to zero (0).

9. COMMISSIONER REPORT

Commissioner Koczka attended the Arbor Day Celebration at Chaparral Park and April Pool's Day at Eldorado Pool.

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Commissioner Frost is attending the General Plan meetings.

10. DIRECTOR'S REPORT OF CURRENT EVENTS (A.R.S. § 38-431.02(K))

May 5 – 8: Scottsdale Sports Complex hosting the NCAA Lacrosse Tournament

June 19: 35th Annual Mighty Mud Mania

May 10: Adapted Recreation's Special Olympics Team Banquet at Mtn. View

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

12. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lorelei Oien
Administrative Secretary

Meets established criteria,
Janice M. Cameron
Director, Parks and Recreation